

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 - 36 (canceled).

Claim 37 (currently amended): A crop protection composition of active compounds having foliar or systemic action, comprising:

- (a) at least one active compound selected from ~~biscarbamate herbicide~~ herbicides;
- (b) at least one inorganic adsorbent comprising a silicic acid;
- (c) at least one surfactant comprising an ethoxylated tridecanol having 5 to 13 ethoxy units; and
- (d) at least one additional active compound selected from the group consisting of: metarnitron [,] and ethofumesate,

wherein said composition is formulated as an aqueous suspension concentrate.

Claims 38-59 (canceled).

Claim 60 (currently amended): The crop protection composition according to claim 37 wherein said silicic acid is selected from the group consisting of: colloidal silicic acid (silica gel) and pyrogenic silicic acid (~~Aerosil~~ AerosilTM).

Claim 61 (previously presented): The crop protection composition according to claim 60 wherein said silica gel has an SiO₂ content of at least 95 % and a specific surface area of from 100 to 700 m²/g.

Claim 62 (previously presented): The crop protection composition according to claim 60 wherein said silica gel has a specific surface area of from 130 to 250 m²/g.

Claim 63 (previously presented): The crop protection composition according to claim 37 wherein the proportion of said at least one surfactant is in the range of 5 to 40 % by weight.

Claim 64 (previously presented): The crop protection composition according to claim 37, wherein the biscarbamate is selected from the group consisting of: phenmedipham, desmedipham, and a mixture of phenmedipham and desmedipham.

Claim 65 (currently amended): The crop protection composition according to claim 37, further comprising one or more auxiliaries selected from the group consisting of: antifreeze agents, stabilizers, antifoams, wetting agents, and dispersants [[,]] ~~and carriers~~.

Claim 66 (previously presented): The crop protection composition according to claim 37 wherein the proportion of said at least one inorganic adsorbent is within the range of 0.5 to 25 % by weight.

Claim 67 (currently amended): The crop protection composition according to claim 37 wherein the proportion of said at least one inorganic adsorbent is within the range of 2.0 to 15.0 % by weight, ~~and wherein~~ the proportion of said surfactant is within the range of 10 to 35 % by weight, ~~and wherein~~ the proportion of said herbicide is within the range of 5.0 to 75.0 % by weight.

Claim 68 (currently amended): The crop protection composition according to claim ~~37~~ 65 wherein the active compounds and auxiliaries are finely ground and adjusted to a degree of fineness from 0.5 to 20 μm .

Claim 69 (previously presented): The crop protection composition according to claim 68 wherein said active compounds and auxiliaries are adjusted to a degree of fineness of < 10 μm .

Claim 70 (currently amended): A process for preparing a crop protection composition according to claim ~~37~~ 65 wherein the active compounds and auxiliaries are finely ground and adjusted to a degree of fineness in the range of 0.5 to 20 μm .

Claim 71 (previously presented): The process according to claim 70 wherein said active compounds and auxiliaries are finely ground and adjusted to a degree of fineness of $< 10 \mu\text{m}$.

Claim 72-73 (canceled)

Claim 74 (new): A water-based crop protection composition of active compounds having foliar or systemic action, comprising:

- (a) at least one active compound selected from biscarbamate herbicides;
- (b) at least one inorganic adsorbent comprising a silicic acid;
- (c) at least one surfactant comprising an ethoxylated tridecanol having 5 to 13 ethoxy units;
- (d) at least one additional active compound selected from the group consisting of: metamitron and ethofumesate; and
- (e) water,

wherein the total proportion of active compounds in the crop protection composition is from 5.0 to 75.0 % by weight.

Claim 75 (new): The water-based crop protection composition according to claim 74, further comprising at least one auxiliary selected from the group consisting of: antifreeze agents, stabilizers, antifoams, wetting agents, and dispersants.

Claim 76 (new): The water-based crop protection composition according to claim 37, wherein the sum of the proportions of said at least one inorganic adsorbent and of said at least one surfactant is 5.5 to 45.0 % by weight.

Claim 77 (new): The water-based crop protection composition according to claim 37, wherein the sum of the proportions of said at least one inorganic adsorbent and of said at least one surfactant is 15.0 to 25.0 % by weight.

Claim 78 (new): A water-based crop protection composition consisting of:

- (a) at least one active compound selected from biscarbamate herbicides;

- (b) at least one inorganic adsorbent comprising a silicic acid;
- (c) at least one surfactant comprising an ethoxylated tridecanol having 5 to 13 ethoxy units;
- (d) at least one additional active compound selected from the group consisting of: metamitron and ethofumesate;
- (e) at least one auxiliary selected from the group consisting of: antifreeze agents, stabilizers, antifoams, wetting agents, and dispersants; and
- (f) water.

Claim 79 (new): The water-based crop protection composition according to claim 78, wherein the proportion of said at least one inorganic adsorbent is from 0.5 to 25.0 % by weight, the proportion of said at least one surfactant is from 5.0 to 40.0 % by weight, and the proportion of said active compounds is from 5.0 to 75.0 % by weight.

Claim 80 (new): The water-based crop protection composition according to claim 78, wherein the proportion of said at least one inorganic adsorbent is from 2.0 to 15.0 % by weight, the proportion of said at least one surfactant is from 5.0 to 40.0 % by weight, and the proportion of said active compounds is from 15.0 to 55.0 % by weight.

Claim 81 (new): The water-based crop protection composition according to claim 78, wherein the sum of the proportions of said at least one inorganic adsorbent and of said at least one surfactant is 5.5 to 45.0 % by weight.

Claim 82 (new): The water-based crop protection composition according to claim 74, wherein said composition is formulated as an aqueous suspension concentrate.

Claim 83 (new): The water-based crop protection composition according to claim 78, wherein said composition is formulated as an aqueous suspension concentrate.